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In this dream that I've entered...
Dark has taken on identity of "Niwa Daisuke" ...me.
His memories of reality have been scattered, embodied in ten feathers known as the "Wings of Memory"...
Nine of these are now in my possession. Dark holds the final feather...
DARK!

Real... real ironic... that I'd have to chase myself...
Not as if I have wings right now...
HAAA
HAA
WHEEZE
He's... he's not letting me off easy... is he?
HAA
HA
HAA
Lost him again...
Ever since Dark appeared, Mom's been getting me to run all over town. Gotten used to it. I think...
It's nothing special. Been training to do this sorta thing since I was a kid...
HA HA
I thought nobody could keep up with Dark without powers...
How in the world can you be so ath-letic?
...both of us have the same level of mobility. If that's true, I won't be able to out-do him in speed, and I lost my chance at catching him the moment he realized he was being chased...
If I'm Dark and he's me...
I see.
What's wrong?

Before all this started.
If I ambush him, though...
I might just be able to catch him!
Dark was always with me...
My body still recalls his modus operandi...
...The paths of escape he tends to favor... The way he thinks...
I remember all of these things...
It's decided then.
There's no time to waste!
...Daisuke!

.....
!
You have to feel it...
Please...
Hurry...
Dark holds the final feather...
I can't help you any further...
...in truth...
This is all I can do...

!
.....
Towa
-chan?
!?
DARK!
Dark
is

I'm chasing after Dark— I'm trying my best to catch him...
I'm running...
Why do I feel so strange?
...something's off, though... it feels like something's escaping...
Will Dark vanish from before me as he does there?
I'm feeling the same way I do in that dream I have so often... Deja vu...
No!
No!
I won't have it!!

!?
Hiwatari -kun...?!
sorry.
I have business to take care of.
Hiwa- tari... what?

He's not just physically present, it seems. There was determination in those eyes to capture Dark. I recognize it...
What was that?
Uiwatari-kun? Why's he here...?!
Something's weird...
Dark would NEVER put Uiwatari-kun into his world. Doing so would be antithetical to his sense of purpose.
Wait a minute!
Dark's World?
Is it really...?

When Dark told me to "get out"... ...what did he mean?
Get out?
That's right... Normally, he would've said something like, "Why don'tcha just go shrivel up and die?!"
GET OUT?
Get out!
Dark must be holding it...
The final feather... Dark must have...
In this world in which all truths have been rendered false...
...to find the true face of "Kaitou Dark"...
Hiwatari-kun would not exist in a reality true to Dark's desires...
The cause for his existence must be the same as that which compels Dark to take on my identity...

I must be
the
monster
that
The last
feather...
from
the
start...
...has
always
been
held
by...

The feather I received at the start was the tenth...
Dark was always with me,
always in my heart...
.....
...was me.
...is me.

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The Dark that I chased...
All that I saw was...
but a "dream" in the mirror...
this world...!

Towa-chan!!
!!
Towa-chan!
Wake up, Towa-chan! Are you all right?
Daisuke?
Thank god... You've found yourself again...
!!?
I was worried that you'd lost yourself in the mirror...
I was... there, guiding you...
Ha
...Towa-chan?

Towa-chan!
This was the plan from the start...
I could only show you the way.
I'm sorry.
I've used up all my strength... can't fly anymore...
But... you. You told me I was worth something...
I'm... happy...
Since the time of my creation, I've watched the seas alone from tower...
I chose to be with you...
That's why in the end...
I hate it when people are depressed...
Haven't I told you?
I promised I'd bring you home with me...
No! Towa-chan!

NOW
Niwa Daisuke...
Thank you.
I'm not dying.
I'm simply fulfilling my duty.
It's no time to sleep, Dark... please...
There's a maiden in distress...
... ...
COME OUT, DARK!

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